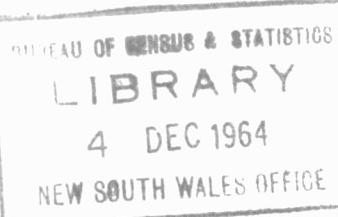


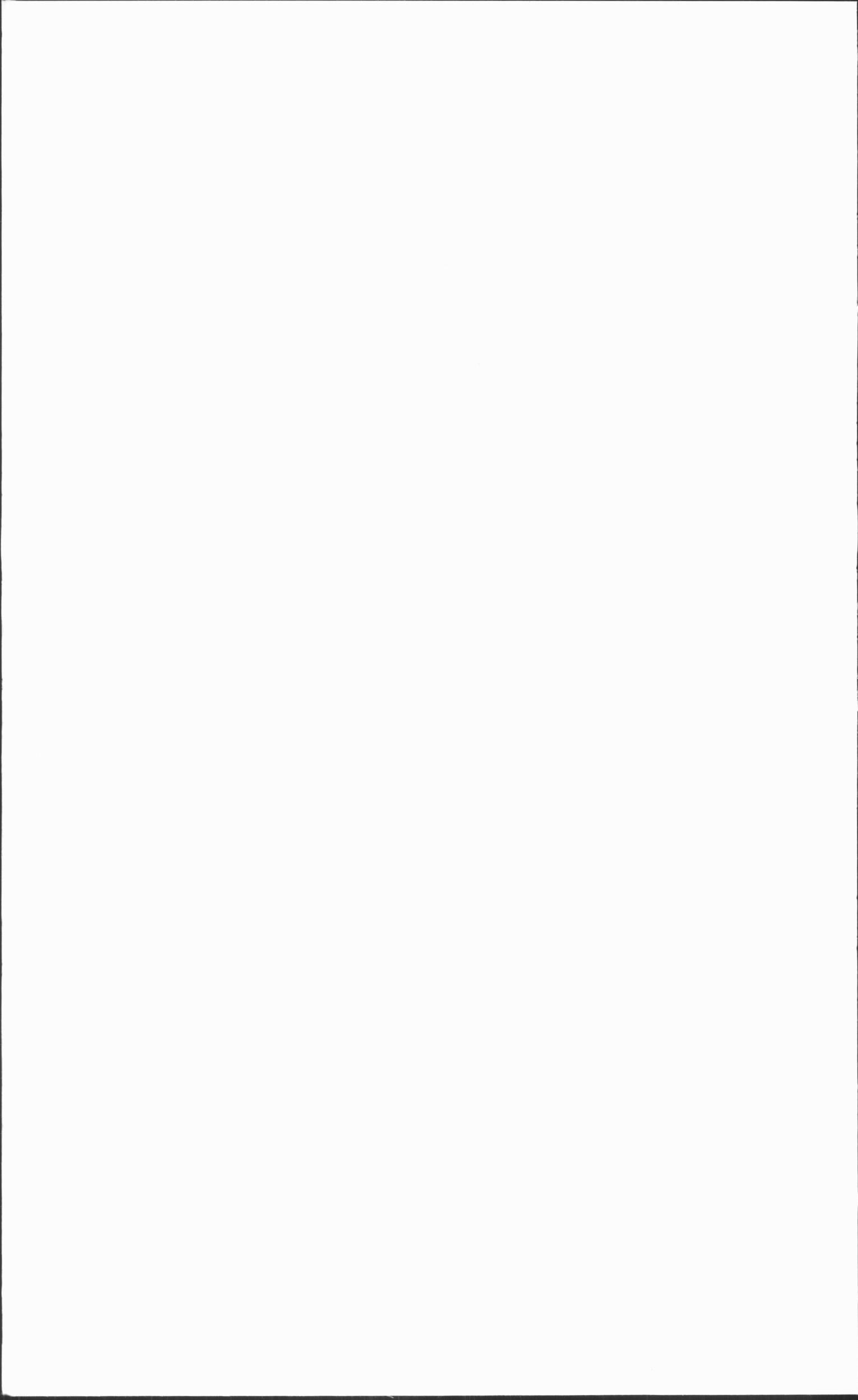
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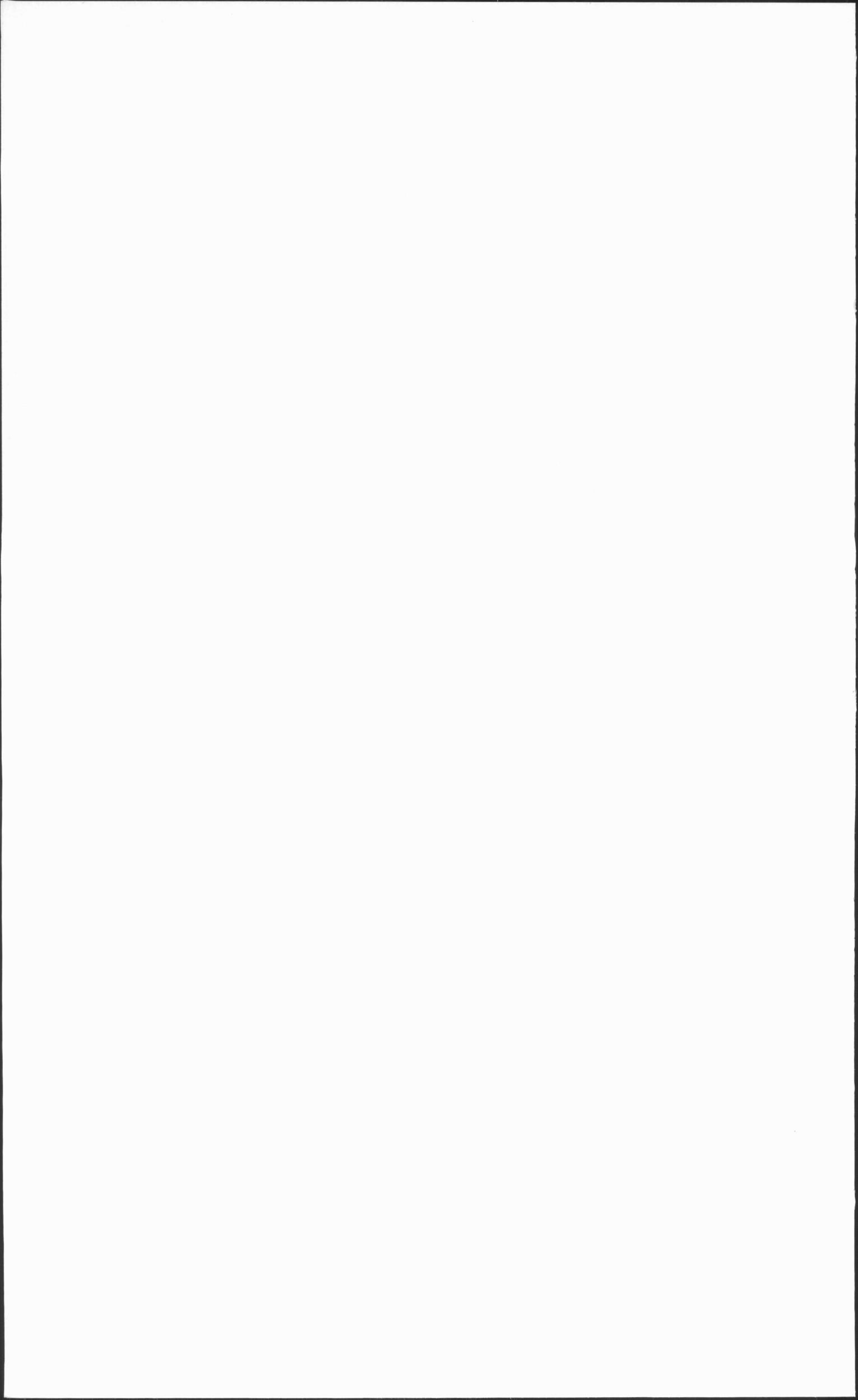
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I. MINIMUM WAGE RATES

This section contains particulars of weighted average minimum weekly and hourly wage rates for adult males and adult females for Australia and each State, together with index numbers with base : year 1954 = 100.

2. The minimum wage is the lowest rate payable for a particular occupation, and for most occupations it comprises the basic wage (see page 12) and "secondary" wage payments, i.e. additional amounts such as margins for skill, etc., and loadings of various kinds. In the majority of cases such rates are prescribed in awards or determinations of Commonwealth or State industrial authorities or in agreements registered with them. Some rates are prescribed in unregistered agreements between employers and employees.

3. The Minimum Wage Rate Index is based on the occupation structure existing in 1954. Weights for each industry and each occupation were derived from two sample surveys made in that year. The first was the Survey of Awards in April, 1954, which showed the number of employees covered by individual awards, determinations and agreements, and provided employee weights for each industry as well as a basis for the Survey of Award Occupations made in November, 1954. This second survey showed the number of employees in each occupation within selected awards, etc., in the various industries, thereby providing occupation weights.

4. The minimum wage rates used in the index are for representative occupations within each industry. They have been derived entirely from representative awards, determinations and agreements in force at the end of each period commencing with March, 1939, for adult males and March, 1951, for adult females. The index for adult males includes rates for 3,424 award designations. However, as some of these designations are operative within more than one industry, or in more than one State, the total number of individual award occupations is 2,322. For adult females the corresponding numbers are 1,103 and 518. By use of the industry and occupation weights derived from the surveys described above, these rates were combined to give weighted averages for each industry group for each State and Australia. Because of coverage difficulties the rural industry is not included in the index.

5. Because the indexes are designed to measure movements in prescribed minimum rates of "wages" as distinct from "salaries", those awards, etc. which relate solely or mainly to salary-earners are excluded.

6. In ascertaining from awards, etc., the wage rates for representative occupations, it was found in some cases that an occupation selected as representative in the base year (1954) did not exist in earlier years. In such cases another occupation with the same marginal rate of wage was chosen from the same award and variations in the wage rates for this occupation were taken to be representative for the earlier period.

7. Since 1954 the industrial structure in Australia, and particularly in some States, has been undergoing a degree of change which over a period is likely to have some effects on the index. Generally the effect of new or expanding industries on the index is not significant, because occupations in such industries can usually be covered by existing awards, and the wage rates for the new occupations conform very closely to those for existing occupations. Occasionally, however, an entirely new award is made to cover a new industry, and in such cases occupations from the new award are introduced into the index whenever such action is warranted by the number of employees in the industry. By these means it has been possible for the occupations in the index to be kept, as nearly as may be, continuously representative and for a high degree of comparability to be preserved over a long period.

8. Weighted averages of the components of the total minimum weekly wage rate, i.e. basic wage, margin and loading, are calculated separately for adult male employees covered by Commonwealth awards, etc., and for those covered by State awards, etc. These particulars are published in Tables 3 and 4 of this bulletin. Relevant definitions are as follows:-

"Commonwealth awards, etc." include awards of, or agreements registered with, the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, and determinations of the Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator.

"State awards, etc." include awards or determinations of, or agreements registered with, State industrial tribunals, together with certain unregistered agreements, where these are dominant in the particular industries to which they refer.

"Basic wage" rates are weighted averages of the weekly rates prescribed in awards, etc., for the occupations included in the index for each State. For industries other than mining, metropolitan basic wage rates have generally been used. However, there are a number of occupations for which basic wage rates other than the metropolitan rate are prescribed. Also in some States at various times, State Government employees under Commonwealth awards have been paid State basic wage rates, and the basic wage rates of some employees have been subject to automatic quarterly adjustments while those of other employees within the same jurisdiction have remained unchanged. In all such cases the basic wage rate actually paid is used in tables herein. For these and other reasons, the weighted average basic wage rates shown in the tables in this section differ, in the majority of cases, from the metropolitan basic wage rates shown in Tables 11 and 12 of Section II.

"Margins" are minimum amounts, in addition to the basic wage, awarded to particular classifications of employees for features attaching to their work, such as skill, experience, arduousness or other like factors.

"Loadings" include industry loadings and other general loadings prescribed in awards, etc. for the occupations included in the index.

9. The proportion of employees covered by Commonwealth and State awards, etc., varies considerably as between States. In addition, the proportions of employees engaged in the respective industries differ from State to State. As a result there are relatively wide differences between the weighted average amounts of margins and loadings in the several States.

10. The wage rates shown in the tables in this section should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. Neither the wage rates nor the corresponding index numbers measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States.

11. Minimum weekly wage rates for adult males should not be compared with average weekly earnings per employed male unit, shown in Section III, because the latter include not only the earnings of adult wage-earners but also those of all salaried employees, junior wage-earners and part-time and casual employees.

12. Wage rates and index numbers for adult males are available as at the end of each quarter from March, 1939 to December, 1956 and as at the end of each month from January, 1957. Particulars for adult females are compiled quarterly and are available from March, 1951. For details of wage rates and index numbers from 1939 reference should be made to the following Statistical Bulletins:-

S.B. 123 - Minimum Weekly Wage Rates, 1939 to 1959.

S.B. 31 - Minimum Wage Rates, January, 1960 to June, 1963.

Figures subsequent to June, 1963 will be found in the monthly bulletins, Wage Rates and Earnings, commencing with the June, 1964 issue.

13. In some cases, when awards, etc. are varied, the new wage rates are made retrospective. Also there is generally an unavoidable, and sometimes considerable, delay in the receipt of notification of changes in margins and loadings in respect of the occupations included in the index. Such retrospective, etc. effects on figures already published for recent months are generally incorporated in revisions made at the time of publication of detailed special Statistical Bulletins (see paragraph 12).

TABLE 1. - MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)

INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1964.

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc., and index numbers of wage rates.

Industry Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE							
Mining and Quarrying (b)	501 9	391 4	465 4	383 0	413 0	404 0	466 7
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, Metals, Vehicles, etc.	388 9	387 0	386 0	386 11	385 1	399 11	387 11
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	382 3	377 8	376 10	366 11	378 4	371 5	378 7
Food, Drink and Tobacco	387 4	402 2	379 2	374 10	384 9	385 10	389 2
Sawmilling, Furniture, etc.	392 6	377 5	367 1	380 10	371 11	381 3	380 6
Paper, Printing, etc.	417 9	424 2	423 4	414 9	440 6	397 5	419 8
Other Manufacturing	391 3	385 1	369 4	382 4	374 3	389 3	385 8
All Manufacturing Groups	390 6	389 1	381 0	384 10	382 10	391 6	388 2
Building and Construction	402 11	419 2	370 8	389 10	381 9	399 8	398 3
Railway Services	394 10	364 4	390 1	374 9	367 3	388 2	382 3
Road and Air Transport	403 3	385 8	360 8	374 1	384 0	383 4	388 5
Shipping and Stevedoring	389 10	389 9	384 7	387 4	382 9	386 4	387 11
Communication	434 0	430 11	429 0	429 0	429 7	427 4	431 6
Wholesale and Retail Trade	396 0	396 9	386 9	382 4	385 4	400 4	392 10
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and Community and Business Services	397 4	381 3	378 3	370 8	366 0	403 3	384 6
Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service, etc.	380 8	365 4	366 0	365 9	369 7	374 9	372 2
All Industry Groups (c)	400 0	392 11	385 6	384 11	384 6	395 3	393 6

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(Base : Weighted Average Weekly Wage Rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Mining and Quarrying (b)	177.7	138.6	164.8	135.6	146.2	143.0	165.2
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, Metals, Vehicles, etc.	137.6	137.0	136.7	137.0	136.4	141.6	137.4
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	135.3	133.7	133.4	129.9	134.0	131.5	134.0
Food, Drink and Tobacco	137.1	142.4	134.3	132.7	136.2	136.6	137.8
Sawmilling, Furniture, etc.	139.0	133.6	130.0	134.8	131.7	135.0	134.7
Paper, Printing, etc.	147.9	150.2	149.9	146.9	156.0	140.7	148.6
Other Manufacturing	138.5	136.4	130.8	135.4	132.5	137.8	136.6
All Manufacturing Groups	138.3	137.8	134.9	136.3	135.6	138.6	137.4
Building and Construction	142.7	148.4	131.2	138.0	135.2	141.5	141.0
Railway Services	139.8	129.0	138.1	132.7	130.0	137.4	135.3
Road and Air Transport	142.8	136.6	127.7	132.5	136.0	135.7	137.5
Shipping and Stevedoring	138.0	138.0	136.2	137.1	135.5	136.8	137.4
Communication	153.7	152.6	151.9	151.9	152.1	151.3	152.8
Wholesale and Retail Trade	140.2	140.5	136.9	135.4	136.4	141.7	139.1
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and Community and Business Services	140.7	135.0	133.9	131.2	129.6	142.8	136.1
Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service, etc.	134.8	129.4	129.6	129.5	130.9	132.7	131.8
All Industry Groups (c)	141.6	139.1	136.5	136.3	136.1	140.0	139.3

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4.

(b) For mining, the wage rates include lead bonuses, etc.

(c) Excludes rural.

TABLE 2. - MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, ALL GROUPS (a)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc., and index numbers of wage rates.

End of -	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE							
December -	s. d.						
1939	100 1	97 1	99 5	94 1	100 6	92 2	98 4
1945	122 6	121 1	118 1	116 0	120 4	115 7	120 7
1950	206 2	201 9	195 2	197 11	200 7	198 0	202 0
1955	305 3	295 7	283 6	285 0	300 1	293 7	297 0
1959	350 3	344 2	334 4	339 11	340 9	347 1	344 8
1960	362 10	349 11	350 8	342 2	358 1	351 6	355 0
1961	373 5	362 2	359 10	354 7	363 9	362 8	365 9
1962	373 8	363 8	359 8	356 6	365 8	364 9	366 7
1963	382 4	372 0	369 11	363 8	375 0	372 10	375 3
1963-September	381 9	371 8	369 3	363 6	373 11	372 2	374 9
October	382 1	371 10	369 9	363 8	374 8	372 9	375 1
November	382 1	371 10	369 9	363 8	374 10	372 9	375 1
December	382 4	372 0	369 11	363 8	375 0	372 10	375 3
1964-January	383 5	372 7	369 11	363 10	375 2	374 11	375 11
February	383 7	372 7	370 0	363 11	375 2	374 11	376 0
March	383 9	372 8	370 0	363 11	375 3	375 0	376 1
April	383 10	372 8	370 2	364 1	377 8	375 0	376 4
May	385 0	372 8	370 2	364 1	378 3	375 4	376 11
June	399 5	388 6	374 4	384 2	380 8	393 10	390 1
July	399 7	392 9	385 5	384 6	380 8	395 0	392 11
August	399 11	392 11	385 6	384 10	380 10	395 0	393 2
September	400 0	392 11	385 6	384 11	384 6	395 3	393 6

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(Base : Weighted Average Weekly Wage Rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

December -							
1939	35.4	34.4	35.2	33.3	35.6	32.6	34.8
1945	43.4	42.9	41.8	41.1	42.6	40.9	42.7
1950	73.0	71.4	69.1	70.1	71.0	70.1	71.5
1955	108.1	104.7	100.4	100.9	106.3	104.0	105.2
1959	124.0	121.9	118.4	120.4	120.7	122.9	122.0
1960	128.5	123.9	124.2	121.2	126.8	124.5	125.7
1961	132.2	128.2	127.4	125.6	128.8	128.4	129.5
1962	132.3	128.8	127.4	126.2	129.5	129.2	129.8
1963	135.4	131.7	131.0	128.8	132.8	132.0	132.9
1963-September	135.2	131.6	130.7	128.7	132.4	131.8	132.7
October	135.3	131.7	130.9	128.8	132.7	132.0	132.8
November	135.3	131.7	130.9	128.8	132.7	132.0	132.8
December	135.4	131.7	131.0	128.8	132.8	132.0	132.9
1964-January	135.8	131.9	131.0	128.8	132.8	132.8	133.1
February	135.8	131.9	131.0	128.9	132.8	132.8	133.1
March	135.9	132.0	131.0	128.9	132.9	132.8	133.2
April	135.9	132.0	131.1	128.9	133.7	132.8	133.3
May	136.3	132.0	131.1	128.9	133.9	132.9	133.5
June	141.4	137.6	132.5	136.0	134.8	139.4	138.1
July	141.5	139.1	136.5	136.1	134.8	139.9	139.1
August	141.6	139.1	136.5	136.3	134.8	139.9	139.2
September	141.6	139.1	136.5	136.3	136.1	140.0	139.3

(a) Excludes rural. See paragraph 10, page 4.

TABLE 3. - MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL WAGE RATE, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1964

Weighted averages of minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements.

State	Commonwealth Awards, etc.				State Awards, etc.				All Awards, etc.			
	Basic Wage (b)	Margin	Loading	Total Wage	Basic Wage (b)	Margin	Loading	Total Wage	Basic Wage	Margin	Loading	Total Wage
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
N.S.W.	313	7	80	6	5	8	399	9	315	0	76	0
Vic.	307	4	75	3	5	3	387	10	306	9	89	5
Qld.	299	5	88	5	5	8	393	6	300	11	77	1
S.A.	303	6	82	7	2	9	388	10	303	1	63	2
W.A.	308	2	98	3	3	2	409	7	308	0	68	2
Tas.	312	1	72	7	5	7	390	3	313	11	77	9
Aust.	309	2	79	2	5	1	393	5	308	9	77	0

(a) Excludes rural. See paragraph 10, page 4. For definitions see paragraph 8, page 4.

(b) The basic wage rates shown are weighted averages, and therefore differ from the metropolitan rates shown in Tables 11 and 12. See explanation on page 4.

TABLE 4. - MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, AUSTRALIA (a)

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL WAGE RATE

Weighted averages of minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements.

End of -	Commonwealth Awards, etc.				State Awards, etc.				All Awards, etc.			
	Basic Wage (b)	Margin	Loading	Total Wage	Basic Wage (b)	Margin	Loading	Total Wage	Basic Wage	Margin	Loading	Total Wage
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
December -												
1939	79	5	17	3	0	4	97	0	81	11	17	4
1945	97	3	19	4	4	1	120	8	98	1	20	0
1950	162	2	35	8	3	11	201	9	161	8	35	3
1955	239	0	52	8	2	4	294	0	244	8	50	6
1959	277	2	69	2	3	0	349	4	275	8	59	6
1960	278	2	70	1	3	2	351	5	285	2	68	5
1961	289	9	70	8	3	6	363	11	293	5	68	11
1962	289	7	71	3	4	1	364	11	293	1	69	4
1963	289	10	78	9	4	7	373	2	295	0	75	8
1963-Sept.	289	10	78	5	4	4	372	7	295	0	75	3
Oct.	289	10	78	8	4	4	372	10	295	0	75	7
Nov.	289	10	78	8	4	4	372	10	295	0	75	7
Dec.	289	10	78	9	4	7	373	2	295	0	75	8
1964-Jan.	289	10	78	11	4	11	373	8	295	0	76	6
Feb.	289	10	78	11	4	11	373	8	295	0	76	7
March	289	10	78	11	4	11	373	8	295	0	76	7
April	289	10	78	11	4	11	373	8	295	4	76	9
May	290	0	78	11	4	11	373	10	296	1	76	9
June	308	10	79	0	5	0	392	10	303	1	76	9
July	309	2	79	1	5	1	393	4	308	2	76	10
Aug.	309	2	79	2	5	1	393	5	308	3	76	11
Sept.	309	2	79	2	5	1	393	5	308	9	77	0

NOTE. - For footnotes see Table 3 above.

TABLE 5. - MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)

INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1964.

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

Industry Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (Pence)							
Mining and Quarrying (b)	152.74	117.40	139.60	114.90	127.80	121.20	141.67
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, Metals, Vehicles, etc.	116.63	116.10	115.80	116.08	115.52	119.98	116.38
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	114.68	113.30	113.05	110.08	113.50	111.43	113.57
Food, Drink and Tobacco	116.37	120.65	113.75	112.45	115.43	115.75	116.81
Sawmilling, Furniture, etc.	117.75	113.23	110.12	114.25	111.58	114.38	114.15
Paper, Printing, etc.	125.33	127.44	127.00	124.43	134.81	119.23	126.06
Other Manufacturing	117.38	115.64	110.80	114.96	112.02	116.86	115.76
All Manufacturing Groups	117.18	116.75	114.30	115.51	114.91	117.45	116.48
Building and Construction	120.88	125.75	111.20	116.95	114.53	119.90	119.48
Railway Services	118.45	109.41	117.02	112.43	110.18	116.45	114.70
Road and Air Transport	120.98	115.70	106.20	112.22	115.20	115.00	116.53
Communication	130.20	129.28	128.70	130.03	128.87	129.53	129.61
Wholesale and Retail Trade	118.80	119.03	116.03	114.70	115.60	120.10	117.85
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and Community and Business Services	121.54	117.52	114.85	113.38	110.96	122.85	117.55
Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service, etc.	114.20	109.60	109.80	109.73	110.87	112.73	111.65
All Industry Groups (c)	120.23	117.99	115.71	115.56	115.67	118.81	118.22

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(Base : Weighted Average Hourly Wage Rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Industry Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
Mining and Quarrying (b)	179.9	138.3	164.4	135.3	150.5	142.8	166.9
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, Metals, Vehicles, etc.	137.4	136.7	136.4	136.7	136.1	141.3	137.1
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	135.1	133.5	133.2	129.7	133.7	131.2	133.8
Food, Drink and Tobacco	137.1	142.1	134.0	132.4	136.0	136.3	137.6
Sawmilling, Furniture, etc.	138.7	133.4	129.7	134.6	131.4	134.7	134.5
Paper, Printing, etc.	147.6	150.1	149.6	146.6	158.8	140.4	148.5
Other Manufacturing	138.3	136.2	130.5	135.4	131.9	137.6	136.3
All Manufacturing Groups	138.0	137.5	134.6	136.1	135.3	138.3	137.2
Building and Construction	142.4	148.1	131.0	137.8	134.9	141.2	140.7
Railway Services	139.5	128.9	137.8	132.4	129.8	137.2	135.1
Road and Air Transport	142.5	136.3	127.4	132.2	135.7	135.5	137.3
Communication	153.4	152.3	151.6	153.2	151.8	152.6	152.7
Wholesale and Retail Trade	139.9	140.2	136.7	135.1	136.2	141.5	138.8
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and Community and Business Services	143.2	138.4	135.3	133.5	130.7	144.7	138.5
Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service, etc.	134.5	129.1	129.3	129.2	130.6	132.8	131.5
All Industry Groups (c)	141.6	139.0	136.3	136.1	136.2	139.9	139.2

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) For mining, the wage rates include lead bonuses, etc.
 (c) Excludes rural, and shipping and stevedoring. The former is not included in the Minimum Wage Rate Index and for the latter definite particulars for the computation of hourly wage rates are not available.

TABLE 6. - MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, ALL GROUPS (a)

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

End of -	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (Pence)							
December -							
1939	27.48	26.44	27.49	25.45	27.15	25.14	26.91
1945	33.64	33.05	32.63	31.72	32.83	31.71	33.05
1950	61.96	60.58	58.60	59.44	60.35	59.42	60.70
1955	91.89	88.87	85.22	85.68	90.50	88.45	89.36
1959	105.28	103.35	100.35	102.08	102.56	104.38	103.55
1960	109.09	105.08	105.35	102.73	107.87	105.70	106.71
1961	112.29	108.76	108.05	106.46	109.53	109.03	109.91
1962	112.34	109.21	108.00	107.08	110.13	109.71	110.16
1963	114.94	111.68	111.08	109.18	112.91	112.06	112.76
1963 - September	114.79	111.63	110.93	109.16	112.61	111.96	112.64
October	114.84	111.63	111.03	109.18	112.79	112.04	112.69
November	114.84	111.63	111.03	109.18	112.86	112.04	112.69
December	114.94	111.68	111.08	109.18	112.91	112.06	112.76
1964 - January	115.24	111.88	111.08	109.21	112.96	112.71	112.96
February	115.32	111.88	111.08	109.23	112.96	112.71	112.99
March	115.37	111.91	111.08	109.26	112.99	112.73	113.01
April	115.40	111.91	111.15	109.31	113.71	112.73	113.09
May	115.74	111.91	111.15	109.31	113.89	112.83	113.24
June	120.02	116.64	112.31	115.34	114.49	118.36	117.17
July	120.10	117.94	115.71	115.44	114.49	118.74	118.04
August	120.20	117.99	115.71	115.54	114.57	118.76	118.12
September	120.23	117.99	115.71	115.56	115.67	118.81	118.22

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(Base : Weighted Average Hourly Wage Rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

December -							
1939	32.4	31.1	32.4	30.0	32.0	29.6	31.7
1945	39.6	38.9	38.4	37.4	38.7	37.3	38.9
1950	73.0	71.4	69.0	70.0	71.1	70.0	71.5
1955	108.2	104.7	100.4	100.9	106.6	104.2	105.3
1959	124.0	121.7	118.2	120.2	120.8	122.9	122.0
1960	128.5	123.8	124.1	121.0	127.1	124.5	125.7
1961	132.3	128.1	127.3	125.4	129.0	128.4	129.5
1962	132.3	128.6	127.2	126.1	129.7	129.2	129.8
1963	135.4	131.5	130.8	128.6	133.0	132.0	132.8
1963 - September	135.2	131.5	130.7	128.6	132.6	131.9	132.7
October	135.3	131.5	130.8	128.6	132.9	132.0	132.7
November	135.3	131.5	130.8	128.6	132.9	132.0	132.7
December	135.4	131.5	130.8	128.6	133.0	132.0	132.8
1964 - January	135.7	131.8	130.8	128.6	133.1	132.8	133.1
February	135.8	131.8	130.8	128.7	133.1	132.8	133.1
March	135.9	131.8	130.8	128.7	133.1	132.8	133.1
April	135.9	131.8	130.9	128.8	133.9	132.8	133.2
May	136.3	131.8	130.9	128.8	134.1	132.9	133.4
June	141.4	137.4	132.3	135.9	134.9	139.4	138.0
July	141.5	138.9	136.3	136.0	134.9	139.9	139.0
August	141.6	139.0	136.3	136.1	134.9	139.9	139.1
September	141.6	139.0	136.3	136.1	136.2	139.9	139.2

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. Excludes rural, and shipping and stevedoring. The former is not included in the Minimum Wage Rate Index and for the latter definite particulars for the computation of hourly wage rates are not available.

TABLE 7. - MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES (a)

INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1964

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc., and index numbers of wage rates.

Industry Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE							
Engineering, Metals, Vehicles, etc.	288 10	275 1	266 5	265 9	268 2	268 4	280 1
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	270 6	266 4	267 10	269 0	270 9	260 4	268 2
Food, Drink and Tobacco	288 5	269 1	266 11	265 1	255 9	260 10	274 7
Other Manufacturing	284 2	271 8	272 11	266 2	266 0	263 5	277 2
All Manufacturing Groups	279 9	268 11	268 7	266 7	266 0	261 8	273 1
Transport and Communication	300 10	289 9	289 7	288 5	289 1	289 9	293 11
Wholesale and Retail Trade	309 3	291 5	278 2	277 9	275 10	272 1	293 9
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and Community and Business Services	303 9	289 4	276 11	279 6	268 7	300 5	291 6
Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service, etc.	278 3	266 4	264 6	257 3	285 4	263 6	272 3
All Industry Groups (b)	290 6	276 4	274 0	271 9	274 6	269 4	281 5

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(Base : Weighted Average Weekly Wage Rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Engineering, Metals, Vehicles, etc.	145.1	138.2	133.8	133.5	134.7	134.8	140.7
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	135.9	133.8	134.5	135.1	136.0	130.8	134.7
Food, Drink and Tobacco	144.9	135.2	134.1	133.2	128.5	131.0	137.9
Other Manufacturing	142.7	136.5	137.1	133.7	133.6	132.3	139.2
All Manufacturing Groups	140.5	135.1	134.9	133.9	133.6	131.4	137.2
Transport and Communication	151.1	145.5	145.5	144.9	145.2	145.5	147.6
Wholesale and Retail Trade	155.3	146.4	139.7	139.5	138.6	136.7	147.6
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and Community and Business Services	152.6	145.3	139.1	140.4	134.9	150.9	146.4
Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service, etc.	139.8	133.8	132.9	129.2	143.3	132.4	136.8
All Industry Groups (b)	145.9	138.8	137.6	136.5	137.9	135.3	141.4

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction.

TABLE 8. - MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES, ALL GROUPS (a)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc., and index numbers of wage rates.

End of -	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE							
December - 1951	172 4	172 2	161 2	170 3	162 6	165 7	170 4
1959	249 3	241 3	229 8	239 2	224 1	234 3	242 2
1960	261 3	246 7	239 4	242 11	251 2	238 10	251 8
1961	269 2	256 7	255 6	252 0	256 7	248 3	261 2
1962	269 1	256 8	255 9	252 4	262 2	248 4	261 6
1963 - September	274 6	260 7	261 4	255 1	265 10	251 7	266 2
December	274 7	260 7	261 6	255 1	266 5	251 11	266 3
1964 - March	278 6	260 7	261 6	255 1	266 6	253 0	267 11
June	290 5	272 1	266 6	271 9	272 1	269 4	279 1
September	290 6	276 4	274 0	271 9	274 6	269 4	281 5

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(Base : Weighted Average Weekly Wage Rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

December - 1951	86.6	86.5	81.0	85.5	81.6	83.2	85.6
1959	125.2	121.2	115.4	120.1	112.6	117.7	121.6
1960	131.2	123.9	120.2	122.0	126.2	120.0	126.4
1961	135.2	128.9	128.3	126.6	128.9	124.7	131.2
1962	135.2	128.9	128.5	126.7	131.7	124.7	131.4
1963 - September	137.9	130.9	131.3	128.1	133.5	126.4	133.7
December	137.9	130.9	131.4	128.1	133.8	126.5	133.7
1964 - March	139.9	130.9	131.4	128.1	133.9	127.1	134.6
June	145.9	136.7	133.9	136.5	136.7	135.3	140.2
September	145.9	138.8	137.6	136.5	137.9	135.3	141.4

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction.

TABLE 9. - MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES (a)
INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1964.

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates

Industry Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (Pence)							
Engineering, Metals, Vehicles, etc.	86.71	82.79	79.93	79.73	80.45	80.50	84.15
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	81.25	79.90	80.35	80.70	81.23	78.10	80.49
Food, Drink and Tobacco	86.53	80.72	80.08	79.52	76.73	78.25	82.37
Other Manufacturing	85.70	81.62	81.88	80.13	79.80	79.03	83.42
All Manufacturing Groups	84.09	80.74	80.57	80.03	79.80	78.50	82.03
Transport and Communication	94.90	91.64	91.91	91.47	91.58	95.79	93.04
Wholesale and Retail Trade	93.83	87.43	83.45	83.33	82.75	81.62	88.52
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and Community and Business Services	94.70	88.46	84.68	85.58	81.72	95.62	89.85
Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service, etc.	84.75	80.02	79.53	77.47	85.77	80.17	82.38
All Industry Groups (b)	88.19	83.29	82.82	82.00	82.81	81.70	85.13

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(Base : Weighted Average Hourly Wage Rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Industry Group	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047	2048	2049	2050	2051	2052	2053	2054	2055	2056	2057	2058	2059	2060	2061	2062	2063	2064	2065	2066	2067	2068	2069	2070	2071	2072	2073	2074	2075	2076	2077	2078	2079	2080	2081	2082	2083	2084	2085	2086	2087	2088	2089	2090	2091	2092	2093	2094	2095	2096	2097	2098	2099	20100	20101	20102	20103	20104	20105	20106	20107	20108	20109	20110	20111	20112	20113	20114	20115	20116	20117	20118	20119	20120	20121	20122	20123	20124	20125	20126	20127	20128	20129	20130	20131	20132	20133	20134	20135	20136	20137	20138	20139	20140	20141	20142	20143	20144	20145	20146	20147	20148	20149	20150	20151	20152	20153	20154	20155	20156	20157	20158	20159	20160	20161	20162	20163	20164	20165	20166	20167	20168	20169	20170	20171	20172	20173	20174	20175	20176	20177	20178	20179	20180	20181	20182	20183	20184	20185	20186	20187	20188	20189	20190	20191	20192	20193	20194	20195	20196	20197	20198	20199	20200	20201	20202	20203	20204	20205	20206	20207	20208	20209	20210	20211	20212	20213	20214	20215	20216	20217	20218	20219	20220	20221	20222	20223	20224	20225	20226	20227	20228	20229	20230	20231	20232	20233	20234	20235	20236	20237	20238	20239	20240	20241	20242	20243	20244	20245	20246	20247	20248	20249	20250	20251	20252	20253	20254	20255	20256	20257	20258	20259	20260	20261	20262	20263	20264	20265	20266	20267	20268	20269	20270	20271	20272	20273	20274	20275	20276	20277	20278	20279	20280	20281	20282	20283	20284	20285	20286	20287	20288	20289	20290	20291	20292	20293	20294	20295	20296	20297	20298	20299	20300	20301	20302	20303	20304	20305	20306	20307	20308	20309	20310	20311	20312	20313	20314	20315	20316	20317	20318	20319	20320	20321	20322	20323	20324	20325	20326	20327	20328	20329	20330	20331	20332	20333	20334	20335	20336	20337	20338	20339	20340	20341	20342	20343	20344	20345	20346	20347	20348	20349	20350	20351	20352	20353	20354	20355	20356	20357	20358	20359	20360	20361	20362	20363	20364	20365	20366	20367	20368	20369	20370	20371	20372	20373	20374	20375	20376	20377	20378	20379	20380	20381	20382	20383	20384	20385	20386	20387	20388	20389	20390	20391	20392	20393	20394	20395	20396	20397	20398	20399	20400	20401	20402	20403	20404	20405	20406	20407	20408	20409	20410	20411	20412	20413	20414	20415	20416	20417	20418	20419	20420	20421	20422	20423	20424	20425	20426	20427	20428	20429	20430	20431	20432	20433	20434	20435	20436	20437	20438	20439	20440	20441	20442	20443	20444	20445	20446	20447	20448	20449	20450	20451	20452	20453	20454	20455	20456	20457	20458	20459	20460	20461	20462	20463	20464	20465	20466	20467	20468	20469	20470	20471	20472	20473	20474	20475	20476	20477	20478	20479	20480	20481	20482	20483	20484	20485	20486	20487	20488	20489	20490	20491	20492	20493	20494	20495	20496	20497	20498	20499	20500	20501	20502	20503	20504	20505	20506	20507	20508	20509	20510	20511	20512	20513	20514	20515	20516	20517	20518	20519	20520	20521	20522	20523	20524	20525	20526	20527	20528	20529	20530	20531	20532	20533	20534	20535	20536	20537	20538	20539	20540	20541	20542	20543	20544	20545	20546	20547	20548	20549	20550	20551	20552	20553	20554	20555	20556	20557	20558	20559	20560	20561	20562	20563	20564	20565	20566	20567	20568	20569	20570	20571	20572	20573	20574	20575	20576	20577	20578	20579	20580	20581	20582	20583	20584	20585	20586	20587	20588	20589	20590	20591	20592	20593	20594	20595	20596	20597	20598	20599	20600	20601	20602	20603	20604	20605	20606	20607	20608	20609	20610	20611	20612	20613	20614	20615	20616	20617	20618	20619	20620	20621	20622	20623	20624	20625	20626	20627	20628	20629	20630	20631	20632	20633	20634	20635	20636	20637	20638	20639	20640	20641	20642	20643	20644	20645	20646	20647	20648	20649	20650	20651	20652	20653	20654	20655	20656	20657	20658	20659	20660	20661	20662	20663	20664	20665	20666	20667	20668	20669	20670	20671	20672	20673	20674	20675	20676	20677	20678	20679	20680	20681	20682	20683	20684	20685	20686	20687	20688	20689	20690	20691	20692	20693	20694	20695	20696	20697	20698	20699	20700	20701	20702	20703	20704	20705	20706	20707	20708	20709	20710	20711	20712	20713	20714	20715	20716	20717	20718	20719	20720	20721	20722	20723	20724	20725	20726	20727	20728	20729	20730	20731	20732	20733	20734	20735	20736	20737	20738	20739	20740	20741	20742	20743	20744	20745	20746	20747	20748	20749	20750	20751	20752	20753	20754	20755	20756	20757	20758	20759	20760	20761	20762	20763	20764	20765	20766	20767	20768	20769	20770	20771	20772	20773	20774	20775	20776	20777	20778	20779	20780	20781	20782	20783	20784	20785	20786	20787	20788	20789	20790	20791	20792	20793	20794	20795	20796	20797	20798	20799	20800	20801	20802	20803	20804	20805	20806	20807	20808	20809	20810	20811	20812	20813	20814	20815	20816	20817	20818	20819	20820	20821	20822	20823	20824	20825	20826	20827	20828	20829	20830	20831	20832	20833	20834	20835	20836	20837	20838	20839	20840	20841	20842	20843	20844	20845	20846	20847	20848	20849	20850	20851	20852	20853	20854	20855	20856	20857	20858	20859	20860	20861	20862	20863	20864	20865	20866	20867	20868	20869	20870	20871	20872	20873	20874	20875	20876	20877	20878	20879	20880	20881	20882	20883	20884	20885	20886	20887	20888	20889	20890	20891	20892	20893	20894</

II. BASIC WAGE RATES

Basic wage rates are determined by Commonwealth or State industrial authorities. The basic wage is that part of the minimum wage to which are added margins for skill, etc. and loadings. It is determined without regard to any circumstance pertaining to the occupation or industry of an employee.

For further information reference should be made to the Labour Report, in which the history of basic wage fixation in Australia is dealt with at some length. For tables showing Commonwealth and State basic wage rates over a long period of years see the Appendix to Labour Report No. 49, 1961.

COMMONWEALTH BASIC WAGES

The Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission may, for the purpose of preventing or settling an industrial dispute extending beyond the limits of any State, make an order or award altering the basic wage or the principles upon which it is computed. In practice, the Commission holds general basic wage inquiries from time to time and its findings apply to industrial awards within its jurisdiction. Since December, 1950 the basic wage for adult females has been 75 per cent. of the adult male rate.

TABLE 11. - COMMONWEALTH BASIC WAGES : WEEKLY RATES

Date Operative(a)	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Six Capitals
ADULT MALES							
1951 - November	207 0	199 0	185 0	195 0	197 0	199 0	200 0
1952 - November	237 0	228 0	216 0	229 0	228 0	230 0	231 0
1953 - August (b)	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	236 0	242 0	236 0
1956 - June (c)	253 0	245 0	228 0	241 0	246 0	252 0	246 0
1957 - 15th May(c)	263 0	255 0	238 0	251 0	256 0	262 0	256 0
1958 - 21st May(c)	268 0	260 0	243 0	256 0	261 0	267 0	261 0
1959 - 11th June(c)	283 0	275 0	258 0	271 0	276 0	282 0	276 0
1961 - 7th July(c)	295 0	287 0	270 0	283 0	288 0	294 0	288 0
1964 - 19th June(c)	315 0	307 0	290 0	303 0	308 0	314 0	308 0
ADULT FEMALES							
1951 - November	155 0	149 0	138 6	146 0	147 6	149 0	150 0
1952 - November	177 6	171 0	162 0	171 6	171 0	172 6	173 0
1953 - August (b)	182 0	176 0	163 6	173 0	177 0	181 6	177 0
1956 - June (c)	189 6	183 6	171 0	180 6	184 6	189 0	184 6
1957 - 15th May(c)	197 0	191 0	178 6	188 0	192 0	196 6	192 0
1958 - 21st May(c)	201 0	195 0	182 0	192 0	195 6	200 0	195 6
1959 - 11th June(c)	212 0	206 0	193 6	203 0	207 0	211 6	207 0
1961 - 7th July(c)	221 0	215 0	202 6	212 0	216 0	220 6	216 0
1964 - 19th June(c)	236 0	230 0	217 6	227 0	231 0	235 6	231 0

(a) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing in the month shown or commencing on or after the date shown. (b) Automatic quarterly adjustment discontinued. (c) Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry.

STATE BASIC WAGES

In New South Wales automatic quarterly adjustments to the basic wage were discontinued following legislation passed in October, 1964 and Commonwealth basic wage rates were adopted retrospective of 19th June, 1964. State basic wage are not declared in Victoria and Tasmania, but Wages Boards, which determine minimum rates to be paid in various industry groups or callings, now generally adopt Commonwealth rates. In Queensland the industrial authority may declare a basic wage only after a full inquiry. In South Australia the rates have been the same as Commonwealth rates since 1950. The industrial authority in Western Australia determines the basic wage each quarter after considering retail price index numbers. In all States, since May, 1961 the basic wage for adult females has been 75 per cent. of the adult male rate. The rates for the capital cities in each State are shown in Table 12.

TABLE 12. - STATE BASIC WAGES : WEEKLY RATES

Date Operative (a)	Adult Males s. d.	Adult Females s. d.	Date Operative (a)	Adult Males s. d.	Adult Females s. d.
NEW SOUTH WALES BASIC WAGE - SYDNEY RATES					
1953 - August (b)	243 0	182 0	1963 - February	301 0	226 0
1955 - November (c)	253 0	189 6	May	302 0	226 6
1956 - November	274 0	205 6	August	303 0	227 6
1957 - November	270 0	202 6	November	303 0	227 6
1958 - November	273 0	204 6	1964 - February	303 0	227 6
1959 - November	279 0	209 0	May	305 0	229 0
1960 - November	294 0	220 6	19th June (f)	315 0	236 0
1961 - November	301 0	226 0			
1962 - November	300 0	225 0			
VICTORIAN BASIC WAGE - MELBOURNE RATES					
1953 - November	237 0	177 6	1959 - June (d)	275 0	206 0
1954 - November	234 0	175 6	1961 - July (d)	287 0	215 0
1955 - November	246 0	184 6	1964 - June (d)	307 0	230 0
1956 - August (b)	263 0	197 0			
QUEENSLAND BASIC WAGE - BRISBANE RATES					
1953 - 2nd November	222 0	149 0	1961 - 30th January	280 0	194 0
1954 - 1st February	225 0	151 0	1st May (e)	280 0	210 0
1955 - 24th October	229 0	154 0	29th May (e)	284 0	213 0
1956 - 29th October	241 0	162 6	1963 - 6th May (e)	286 0	214 6
1957 - 29th July	241 0	162 6	1964 - 13th July (e)	300 0	225 0
1958 - 27th October	256 0	173 6			
1959 - 26th October	267 0	182 0			
1960 - 31st October	276 0	191 0			
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BASIC WAGE - ADELAIDE RATES					
NOTE: Since February, 1950 these rates have been the same as the Commonwealth basic wage rates for Adelaide (see previous table).					
WESTERN AUSTRALIAN BASIC WAGE - METROPOLITAN RATES					
1953 - 27th July	246 6	160 3	1961 - 31st July	300 6	225 5
1955 - 9th August	252 5	164 1	30th October	298 9	224 1
1956 - 29th October	265 2	172 4	1963 - 22nd April	300 3	225 2
1957 - 28th October	272 9	177 3	29th July	301 6	226 1
1958 - 27th October	273 5	177 9	1964 - 27th April	304 2	228 2
1959 - 26th October	281 6	183 0	22nd Sept. (e)	308 0	231 0
1960 - 24th October	294 7	220 11	26th October	311 2	233 5
1961 - 30th October	298 9	224 1			
TASMANIAN BASIC WAGE - HOBART RATES					
1956 - February (c)	259 0	194 3	1959 - July (d)	282 0	211 6
May	268 0	201 0	1961 - July (d)	294 0	220 6
August (b)	272 0	204 0	1964 - June (d)	314 0	235 6

(a) See Table 11. (b) See Table 11. (c) Automatic adjustments re-introduced.

(d) Commonwealth basic wage rates adopted by most wages boards in the months shown.

(e) Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry. (f) Commonwealth rates adopted - see above.

III. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

The figures in this section are derived from particulars of employment and of wages and salaries recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the defence forces is not included.

Particulars of wages and salaries paid are not available for males and females separately from the sources mentioned above; average weekly earnings have therefore been calculated in terms of male units. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. As it was not possible to estimate the ratio of male to female earnings in the several States the same ratio has been used in each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures shown.

For a number of reasons average weekly earnings per employed male unit cannot be compared with the minimum weekly wage rates shown in Tables 1 - 4. The figures in Tables 1 - 4 are weighted average minimum (award) rates payable to adult male wage earners in non-rural industry for a full week's work, at the end of each month or year. Those in Table 13 represent actual average weekly earnings for all wage earners and salaried employees (whether adult or junior, full-time or part-time, casual, etc.) and are quarterly or annual averages.

TABLE 13. - AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (a)
(£)

Period	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
1954-55	17.69	17.65	15.59	16.89	16.15	16.60	17.17
1955-56	18.97	18.91	16.48	17.93	16.94	17.79	18.34
1956-57	19.95	19.81	17.42	18.34	17.51	18.85	19.21
1957-58	20.48	20.34	17.86	18.84	18.11	19.14	19.73
1958-59	21.14	20.98	18.62	19.29	18.31	19.62	20.34
1959-60	22.83	22.74	19.71	20.91	19.61	20.96	21.93
1960-61	24.06	23.58	20.79	21.68	20.77	21.66	22.98
1961-62	24.55	24.26	21.61	22.37	21.51	22.64	23.62
1962-63	25.08	25.05	22.18	22.89	22.12	22.95	24.22
1963-64	26.29	26.23	23.34	24.05	23.59	24.28	25.43
1962 - March Quarter	23.35	23.42	20.49	21.72	20.86	22.26	22.65
June "	25.22	24.69	21.88	22.85	21.87	23.88	24.15
September "	24.47	24.45	22.17	22.64	22.04	22.45	23.76
December "	26.23	25.64	23.24	23.69	22.66	22.93	25.10
1963 - March "	23.86	24.17	20.92	22.25	21.28	22.26	23.20
June "	25.74	25.93	22.38	23.00	22.50	24.15	24.83
September "	25.33	25.49	22.77	23.33	23.30	23.24	24.65
December "	27.70	27.93	24.48	25.12	24.87	25.42	26.85
1964 - March "	25.01	24.86	22.18	23.21	22.37	23.63	24.21
June "	27.09	26.66	23.91	24.52	23.80	24.80	26.02
September "	27.48	27.71	24.69	25.93	23.89	24.97	26.72

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, payments made in advance or retrospectively during the periods specified, etc. See explanatory notes above. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory.

NOTE:- Quarterly figures are affected by seasonal influences.

Comparisons as to trend are generally best made by relating complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. However, comparisons of December quarter, 1963 and March and June quarters, 1964 with the corresponding quarters of previous years are affected by additional prepayments arising from extensions of annual leave from two to three weeks.

Seasonally adjusted indexes of average earnings are shown in Table 14.

TABLE 14. - INDEXES OF AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (a) : AUSTRALIA

(Base of each Index : Year 1953-54 = 100)

Seasonally Adjusted

Period	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing (c)	Period	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing (c)
1954-55	105.1	106.9	1958 - Sept. Qtr.	123.2	124.2
1955-56	112.3	113.8	Dec. "	125.2	126.0
1956-57	117.7	118.3	1959 - March	124.0	125.4
1957-58	120.8	122.0	June "	125.5	126.8
1958-59	124.5	125.6	Sept. "	130.3	131.8
			Dec. "	131.6	132.7
1959-60	134.3	135.4	1960 - March	136.4	137.5
1960-61	140.6	141.1	June "	138.9	139.5
1961-62	144.7	143.4	Sept. "	139.0	140.2
1962-63	148.3	147.7	Dec. "	140.4	141.7
1963-64	155.7	154.3	1961 - March	141.5	142.4
			June "	141.7	140.2
1954 - Dec. Qtr.	103.5	105.1	Sept. "	141.7	140.9
1955 - March "	105.5	107.1	Dec. "	143.4	142.8
June "	108.8	110.6	1962 - March	146.2	144.4
Sept. "	109.9	111.9	June "	147.3	145.4
Dec. "	110.7	113.2	Sept. "	145.3	146.4
1956 - March "	113.8	114.3	Dec. "	146.9	146.3
June "	114.9	115.7	1963 - March	149.7	149.3
Sept. "	115.5	116.6	June "	151.3	148.8
Dec. "	117.0	117.8	Sept. "	150.9	150.8
1957 - March "	118.9	118.5	Dec. "	154.8	153.6
June "	119.2	120.2	1964 - March	158.0	156.2
Sept. "	119.2	119.8	June "	159.0	156.5
Dec. "	120.9	122.1	Sept. "	164.1	(d)
1958 - March "	121.2	122.3			
June "	121.9	123.6			

(a) See explanatory notes on previous page. (b) Average earnings per employed male unit. Based on Pay-roll Tax returns and other data. (c) The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1954-55 to 1962-63 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual Factory Censuses. The figures for periods subsequent to June, 1963 are interim estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns and are subject to revision when the Factory Census for 1963-64 is tabulated. (d) Not yet available.

NOTE:- The index numbers for "All Industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings for each group over a period of time. However, they do not give, at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.

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